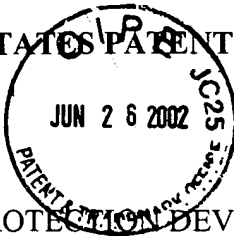


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A surface-mountable electrical circuit protection device comprising:

- a first electrically insulative supporting substrate including an electrode disposed on a first surface thereof;
- a second electrically insulative supporting substrate including an electrode disposed on a first surface thereof;
- first and second PTC elements separated from one another, each PTC element including a polymer having conductive particles dispersed therein, the PTC elements each positioned adjacent to one of the first and second supporting substrates and formed to contact a portion of the first surface of one of substrates and at least a portion of the electrode disposed thereon;
- a first electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a first end of the PTC elements and electrically contacting the electrode disposed on the first substrate; and
- a second electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a second end of the PTC elements and electrically contacting the electrode disposed on the second substrate.